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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

Attachment: Replacement Sheet For Fig. 2.

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REMARKS

The above-captioned patent application has been carefully reviewed in light of the final Office Action to which this Amendment is responsive. Claim 2 has been canceled and Claim 3 has now been made to depend from Claim 1. In addition, a Replacement Sheet for Fig. 2 is also attached, this Replacement Sheet being a formal version of the sheet submitted and approved by the Examiner. To that end, no new matter has been added.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowability of Claim 1 over the prior art of record. Applicant has now canceled Claim 2 and made Claims 3-5 dependent on Claim 1. Therefore, the remaining prior art rejections of Claims 2-5 are believed to be rendered moot. Withdrawal of same is therefore respectfully requested.

A formal Replacement version of Figure 2 is herein attached pursuant to 37 CFR §1.121(d), adding a missing reference numeral for the drive axle 20 and based on the proposed red-lined version filed on March 20, 2006 and deemed acceptable by the Examiner.

In summary, it is believed the above-captioned patent application is now in an allowable condition and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner wishes to expedite disposition of the above-captioned patent application, he is invited to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number below.

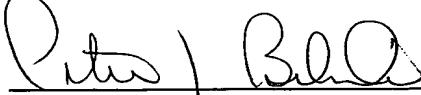
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